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VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS  
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STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY  
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF THE  
APPLICATION OF  
  
ADEL ASSAD, D.V.M.  
  
FOR LICENSURE TO PRACTICE  
VETERINARY MEDICINE IN THE  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Administrative Action  
  
ORDER DENYING LICENSURE

This Matter was opened to the New Jersey Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners on or about July 19, 1993 upon receipt of an application for licensure by endorsement filed by Adel Assad, D.V.M. Based on the information before it, the Board makes the following findings of fact.

In his application, Dr. Assad indicated that he held a license to practice veterinary medicine in Missouri and that he had practiced in that state as a small animal practitioner since October of 1981. He indicated that he had not been licensed in any other state. He submitted letters of recommendation from three veterinarians purportedly practicing in St. Louis, Missouri.

Inquiry directed to the Missouri Board revealed that Dr. Assad had received his license there by waiver based on his licensure in Florida. Subsequent investigation revealed that Dr.

Assad also held licenses in Ohio and in California, and that he had been subject to disciplinary proceedings in all three states.

Dr. Assad was given an opportunity to amend his application in a letter dated September 1, 1993 sent to him at his Jersey City, New Jersey address by the Board's Executive Director Marianne C. Kehoe. Dr. Assad replied on October 7, 1993 and reiterated that the only license he holds is his Missouri license. He made no mention of disciplinary proceedings.

In addition, the Board learned that the three letters of recommendation submitted by veterinarians supposedly located in St. Louis were not authentic. In fact none of three knew Dr. Assad and each practiced veterinary medicine in Kansas City, Missouri, not in St. Louis.

The Board also discovered that many other sections of Dr. Assad's application were intended to mislead, and that he had been untruthful by commission and by omission.

The grant of licensure by endorsement is discretionary with the Board. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:16-7.2, the Board may waive all but the law portion of the examination and issue a license to a person who has met certain qualifications, including licensure in another state. However, the Board may refuse to issue a license to any person who has violated any of the provisions of the Veterinary Practice Act (N.J.S.A. 45:16-6(g) and N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(h)). It may refuse licensure to any person whom it deems unqualified; who has demonstrated a lack of good moral character; and/or who has demonstrated unprofessional conduct. The Board finds that Dr. Assad's record, as well as his demonstrated lack of

truthfulness, disqualify him for licensure for all of the above reasons.

Therefore, based on the aforesaid facts and findings, it is the decision of the Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners that Abel Assad, D.V.M. has not qualified for licensure by endorsement to practice veterinary medicine in New Jersey, and such licensure be and hereby is denied.

BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS

By David G. Mear, DVM  
President

I CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A TRUE AND  
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Executive Director